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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

On his Mutual Broadcasting Company commentary last night at 7:00 P.M. Fulton Lewis, Jr., said in substance:

The situation in Guatemala seems to be coming under control. Various people in the United States government have expressed pleasure at this, including our Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles. They all say, of course, that the United States had nothing to do with the action. That phrase has popped up all over the place in various comments. If we didn't help directly, at least the people down there knew through the grapevine that they could get all the sub rosa aid they wanted. The name of the Central Intelligence Agency has been mentioned in this connection. CIA would be remiss if they had not offered such aid, since it is the function of that agency to help out in situations like this.

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